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Mortuary report for the week ended May 27, 1905.

Cause of death.	Number of deaths.	Bertillon number.
Hæmoglobinuric fever	1	4
Pellagra	1	25
Tubercle of lungs	3	27
Meningitis	1	61
Eclampsia of childhood	1	71
Organic heart disease	3	79
Pneumonia	1	93
Infantile cholera	1	105
Chronic enteritis	1	105a
Enterocolitis, 2 years and over	1	106
Cirrhosis of liver	1	112
Uremia	1	120
Congenital debility	2	151
Senility	1	154
Ill defined or unspecified	2	179
Total	21

Annual rate of mortality for the week, 24 per 1,000; estimated population, 45,500.

ECUADOR.

Report from Guayaquil—Mortality—Smallpox and yellow fever—Fumigation of vessels—Plague officially declared present at Payta, Peru—Vessels bound for United States or Isthmian ports, anchoring opposite city of Guayaquil, to be fumigated just prior to departure.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Gruver reports, May 11, as follows:

Week ended May 9, 1905: Present officially estimated population, 60,000. Mortality from all causes, 66, as follows: Yellow fever, 5; cerebral fever, 1; infectious fever, 6; pernicious fever, 1; gastric fever, 3; paludic fever, 2; enteric diseases, 8; grippe, 2; pneumonia, 2; smallpox, 3; tetanus, 2; tuberculosis, 8; whooping cough, 1; stillbirths, 5; from all other causes, 17.

During the week 2 vessels were fumigated; 2 bills of health and 9 immune certificates were issued; 13 passengers and 39 pieces of baggage examined. May 5 steamship *Hathor*, from Hamburg via South American ports, cleared for San Francisco with 1 cabin passenger from this port. Two steerage passengers from ports south were placed in quarantine to complete ten days from port of last exposure. May 6 steamship *Palena*, from Chilean and Peruvian ports, cleared for Ancon, Canal Zone, with 10 cabin and 2 steerage passengers from this port. Eight cabin and 12 steerage passengers from ports south were placed in quarantine.

Recently the American consular agent at Payta, Peru, reported the appearance of plague in that port. Cable dispatches received here on the 9th instant announce that plague has been officially declared present in Payta.

The Guayaquil board of health has amended its port regulations so as to permit steamers coming from the south to anchor, after disinfection, opposite the city and to permit lighters to remain tied alongside over night. Heretofore vessels from plague-infected ports were required to anchor about 2 miles down the river and no lighters were allowed to remain alongside after 6 p. m. As all vessels were fumigated on entrance and the anchorage was sufficiently remote from the city to preclude the probability of infected *Stegomyia* going on board I have accepted the fumigation required by the port authorities as final.

Under the present conditions, however, I have notified the steamship agents that any vessel bound direct to United States or Isthmian ports, which anchors opposite the city, shall be fumigated just prior to departure.

GERMANY.

Report from Berlin—Death rate of Berlin and other cities.

Consul-General Mason reports, May 22, as follows:

The death rate of Berlin for the week ended May 6 was somewhat higher than it had been during the last 3 weeks, amounting, calculated on the year, to 17.2 per thousand of the population, this being considerably higher than the rate for the same week of last year, in which it amounted to only 13.5 per thousand. Of the large towns and cities of Germany more than half showed less favorable health conditions than Berlin, including Rixdorf (with 19.9), Königsberg, Breslau, Dresden, Halle, Brunswick, Bremen, Cologne, Frankfort on the Main, Munich, Nuremberg, and Stuttgart. The following cities, on the other hand, had a lower death rate than Berlin, namely: Carlsruhe, Düsseldorf, Kiel, Hanover, Leipzig, Schöneberg (with 13.6), and Charlottenburg (with 10.8).

There were registered 127 deaths from phthisis pulmonalis, 141 deaths from acute diseases of the respiratory organs (including 3 from influenza), 39 deaths from cancer, 10 deaths from scarlet fever, 10 deaths from measles, 5 deaths from diphtheria. Finally, 4 deaths were caused by violence.

GUATEMALA.

Report from Livingston, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Peters reports as follows: Week ended May 20, 1905. Present officially estimated population, 3,500; no deaths; prevailing diseases, malarial; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
May 14	Floridian.....	44	0	0	0
16	Olympia.....	41	2	0	0
18	Belize.....	18	0	0	0
19	Altai.....	47	15	0	0
20	Saphir.....	19	0	0	0

The steamships *Floridian*, *Olympia*, and *Saphir* cleared from Puerto Barrios.

HONDURAS.

Report from Ceiba, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Robertson reports as follows: Week ended May 20, 1905. Present officially estimated population, about 4,000; no deaths; prevailing diseases, malarial, mostly mild type; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.